

### **Data-to-Decisions**

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### **Data-to-Decision Systems**



#### **Tactical Operations**



- Low Latency
- Narrow Field-of-View
- Limited Fusion
- Automatic Target Recognition
- Data: ~MB-GB

#### **Operations Intelligence**



- Medium Latency
- Wide Field-of-View
- Hard Sensor Fusion
- Assisted Target Recognition
- Data: ~GB-TB

#### **Strategic Intelligence**



- Long Latency
- Synoptic Field-of-View
- Hard/Soft Sensor Fusion
- Multiple Hypotheses
- Data: ~PB-EB

The complexity and adaptability of threats has surpassed our ability to find them in large data volumes within mission timelines



# **D2D Technology Assessment**

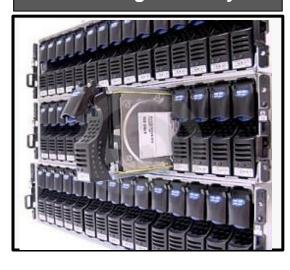


- Moderately Mature
- Driven by IT Industry

- Immature
- Driven by Defense

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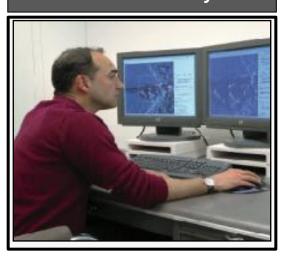
#### **Data Management Layer**



#### **Analytics Layer**



#### **User Interface Layer**



Current assessment is that unstructured data analytics is the most challenging and critical component of D2D



### **Outline**



- Introduction
- Technology Thrusts
- Summary



### **Data Management Layer**



 Problem Statement: Increasing data volumes and modalities have diminished our ability to communicate, store, retrieve and process sources within mission critical timelines

### 3-to-5 year timeframe objective

- Computational infrastructure to support capturing, processing, marking, retrieval, and management of millions of information objects per second
- Network architecture with embedded information management on existing networks to support both real-time and discovery mission data requirements

### 7-to-10 year timeframe objective

 Anticipatory autonomous control of sensors and compute resources to simultaneously support hundreds of consumer requests for analysis products



### **Hardware Infrastructure**

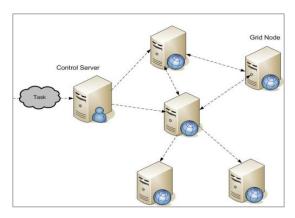


#### Embedded System



- On-board storage
- Tightly coupled data and algorithms
- Low-latency, low-bandwidth operations

#### Grid Cluster



- Centralized storage
- Data moved to compute nodes
- Tightly coupled algorithms
- Parallel file system limits large data use

#### Cloud Computing



- Distributed storage
- Applications moved to compute nodes
- Order-independence through map/reduce



# **Analytic Layer**



 Problem Statement: Existing automation tools do not aid users in finding today's complex and adaptable threats within mission timelines

### 3-to-5 year timeframe objective

- Robust classification to accurately detect, geo-register and identify surface objects despite difficult environments, configurations and emplacements
- Robust automation tools to identify relationships, patterns of life and activities of ground vehicles
- Robust tools to capture, store and retrieve HUMINT-based information to identify and leverage popular support against insurgents

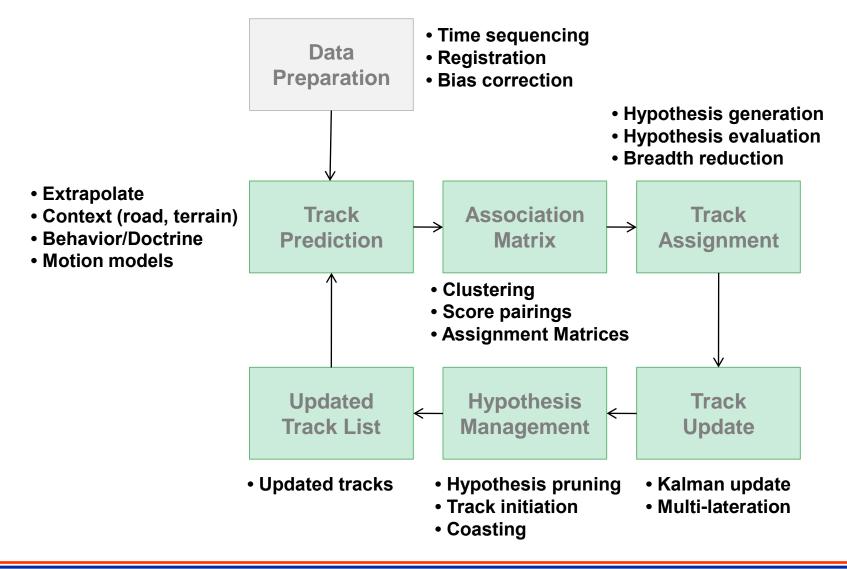
### 7-to-10 year timeframe objective

- Robust classification to accurately detect, geo-register and identify all surface objects despite difficult environments, configurations and emplacements
- Robust automation tools to identify relationships, patterns of life and activities of dismounts
- Robust tools to search, mine and exploit open-source data to identify all aspects of insurgent networks



# **Generalized Tracking**

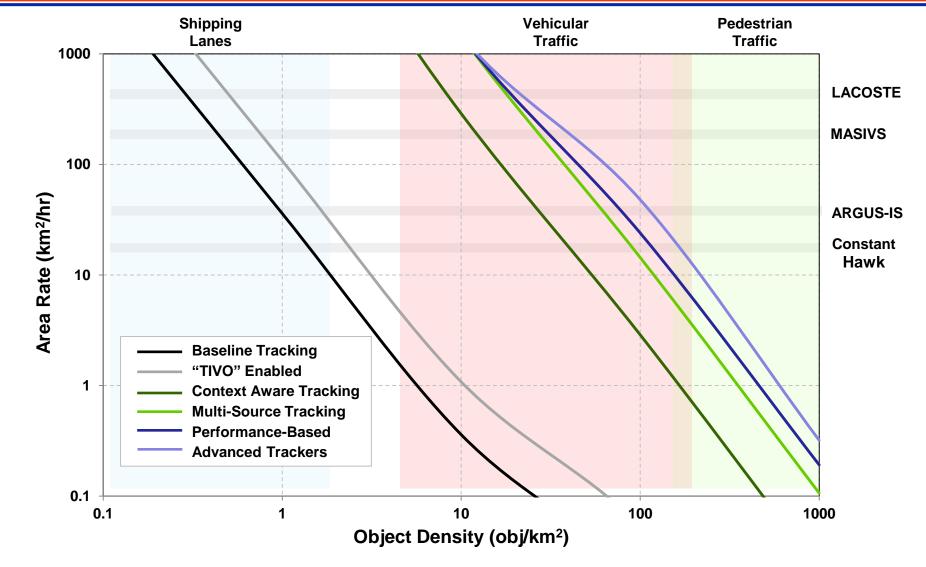






### **Tracking Analysis**

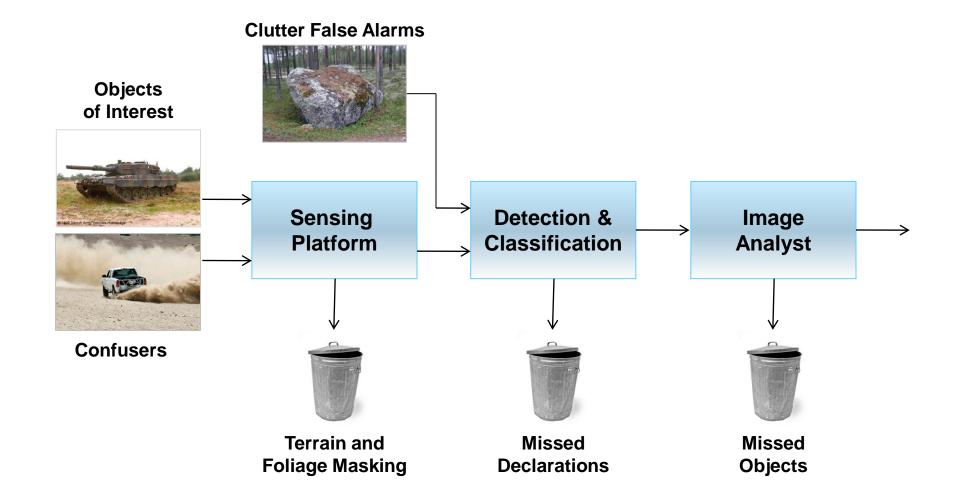






# **Imagery Processing Chain**

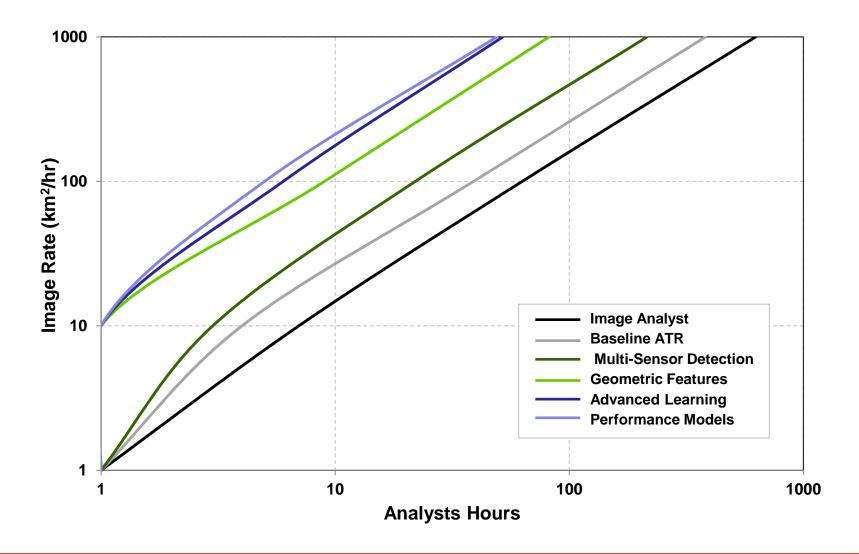






# **Detection/Classification Analysis**







# **Text Analysis**



	Advanced Machine Translation	HSCB Analysis	Document Exploitation (DOCEX)*	A&V from Text (Link/Temporal /Spatial)
Text Preparation (OCR, Speech, MT, Zoning)				
Entity/Event Resolution & Consolidation				
Advanced Entity/Relation/Event Extraction				
Time/Location Stamping				
Subjectivity/Sentiment Extraction				
Text Mining				
Portability (Genre/Domain/Language)				
Multilingual Extraction				

\* This refers to operational Document Exploitation (DOCEX); when Special Ops Forces (SOF) finds hard copy documents at a site and we need to process for intel info

Acronyms & Abbreviations

A&V = Analysis & Visualization

HSCB = Human Social Cultural Behavioral

MT = Machine Translation

OCR = Optical Character Recognition

TRL 6-9



TRL 3-6

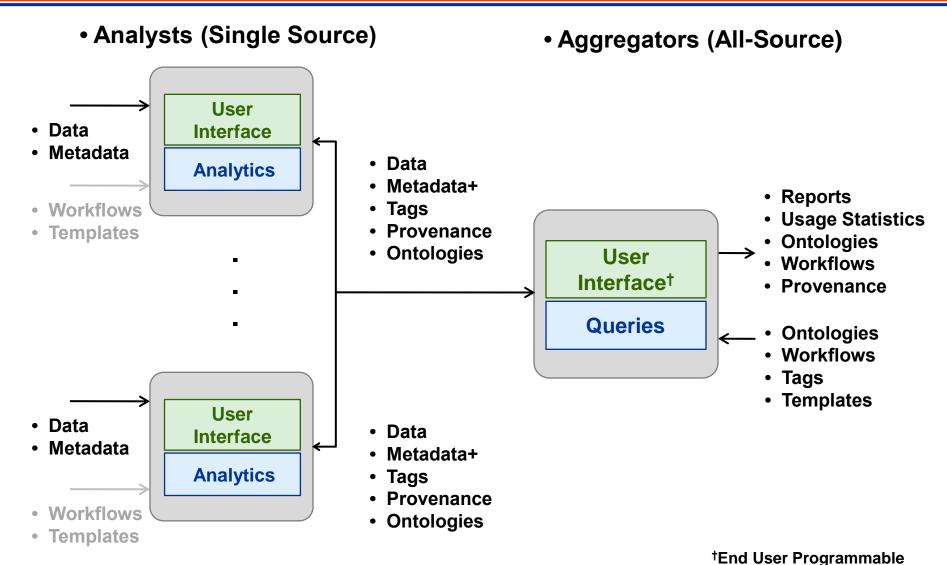


**TRL 1-3** 



### **User Interface Layer**







### **User Interaction Layer**



- Problem Statement: Existing interface tools do not support the user's need to collaborate, visualize, adapt and manage knowledge gained from sensing assets
- 3-to-5 year timeframe objective
  - User tools that aid data discovery, link communities, support aggregation and provide natural user interfaces
- 7-to-10 year timeframe objective
  - Never-ending learning systems that maintain and reason over millions of facts to identify new knowledge
  - Workflow tools that capture and teach analysts' best practices



# **Summary**



- The Data-to-Decisions program develops technology for the rapid development of flexible new Decision Support Systems
- Program consists of a series of relevant challenge problems that advance the underlying technology in data management, analytics and user interfaces
- Execution is through a consortium that addresses the challenge problems in a coherent and integrated team approach
- Major research initiatives focus on developing extendable analytic approaches and advanced user-interface modules